

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Division of Aging

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To: Area Agency on Aging Directors

Lead Regional Organization Finance Directors

Subject: Status in Allocating SFY 02-03 Funding for Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) and the

Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG)

Date: January 25, 2002

For the past ten (10) years, the Division of Aging has provided Area Agencies on Aging with federal and state AAA and HCCBG aging services funding allocations for the upcoming state fiscal year by the 3rd week of January. As you have probably read in the newspaper, state budget officials are currently determining the amount of tax revenue that has been generated in the state through December 31, 2001. When available revenues are determined, updated revenue projections for the remainder of the SFY 01-02 will be made and state departments will be apprised of available state resources through June 30, 2002.

Current circumstances with regard to the state budget are causing the projection of available state resources to be difficult and make it necessary to delay the allocation of projected SFY 02-03 funding to area agencies on aging by two (2) to three (3) weeks. This means that SFY 02-03 allocations and any reductions in current SFY 01-02 service funding should be made available to counties during early March. County Data Packets will be sent to counties by February 15, as usual.

Preliminary FFY 02 federal award information does indicate increases for community based services and elder rights programs. We will keep you informed of any developments that affect aging services funding.

Sincerely,

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cc: County lead agencies for the Home and Community Care Block Grant

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